House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri Senate hold in high esteem those Show-Me State citizens to dedicate their lives to the health and welfare of others; and

Whereas, Sue Whitman, of Warrensburg, Missouri, stepped down from her position at Western Missouri Medical Center (formerly Johnson County Memorial Hospital) on February 15, 2008, after more than thirty-seven years of service; and

Whereas, born in Chilhowee, Missouri, Sue Whitman graduated from Warrensburg High School and continued her studies at Central Missouri State University, among other post-secondary institutions, but she has remained a learner all her life; and

Whereas, Sue Whitman has always been involved, and she was a member of the first Literacy Board, the first Community Health Assessment Resource Team, and a Board Member of the Warrensburg Chamber of Commerce, as well as worked on many committees; and

Whereas, Sue Whitman was appointee by Governor Christopher Bond to a special Commission on Elementary and Secondary Education and worked and served on many community committees for the Warrensburg Vo-Tech School and Johnson County Community Health Services; and

Whereas, Sue Whitman went to work for Johnson County Memorial Hospital as Executive Secretary to the Administrator, and from there she went on to develop Special Services including Discharge Planning and Education, develop the Public Relations function, and becoming Community Relations Director in charge of public relations and marketing, in addition to a brief stint as Volunteer Services Coordinator and initiating the GOOD Grief Support Group; and

Whereas, over the years, Sue Whitman worked with all facets of the medical community including the physicians, patients and their families, managers, nurses, department heads, a number of Chief Executive Officers, government agencies, and the community, but she especially cherishes the work she did with the Auxiliary and the Chaplaincy Program; and

Whereas, it is altogether fitting and proper that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in the course of its diverse daily activities to recognize the accomplishments of Missouri citizens like Sue Whitman:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, extend our most sincere congratulations to Sue Whitman on the illustrious occasion of her retirement, with this legislative body's very best wishes for every happiness and success in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Sue Whitman.

Rod Jetton, Speaker

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